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ANASIMYIA CONTRACTA TORP & CLAUSSEN, 1980 (DIPTERA: SYRPHIDAE) IN NORTH LANCASHIRE. — The recent note by A. A. Allen (*Ent. Rec.* **95**: 72) reminded me that in my collection is a specimen of *Anasimyia contracta* which is worthy of record. It is a female taken at Leighton Moss, N. Lancashire (VC60/SD48 75) on 25 June 1953. The specimen was, of course, until recently standing as *A. transfuga* (L.). Last year I showed the specimen to Mr. A. E. Stubbs as I believed it to be of the newly-separated species. Mr. Stubbs kindly confirmed my suspicion and mentioned that Leighton Moss considerably extended the known range of the species in England. In his note on the new species (Stubbs, A. E. 1981, *Proc. Trans. Br. Ent. Nat. Soc.*, **14**: 10-11), Mr. Stubbs notes that *Typha latifolia* seems to be a requirement for the occurrence of *A. contracta*. This plant is plentiful at Leighton Moss. On the same day and in the same locality I took a female of *A. transfuga* and a further specimen in the same place on 23 May 1964.

Both species seem to be uncommon in the north of England. The late A. E. Wright of Grange-over-Sands never took either of these species (which he would have recorded as *Helophilus transfugus* L.) though he worked the area diligently for many years and in 1940 produced a splendid list of Syrphids of the area (*N. W. Nat.* **XV**: 242-247). — DR. NEVILLE L. BIRKETT, Kendal Wood, New Hutton.

A HALVED GYNANDROMORPH AGRIUS CONVULVULI L. (CONVOLVULUS HAWK) ON THE LIZARD, CORNWALL. — On the night of the 25th August 1983, I was fortunate enough to take at m.v. light trap, a halved gynandromorph *Agrius convolvuli* in excellent condition, right side female. A north westerly breeze with a clear moonlit sky prevailed throughout the night. I would be interested to know if any other gynandromorph *convolvuli* have been taken in Britain. — A. F. J. GARDNER, "Jackson's Farmhouse", Charlecote, Nr. Warwick CV35 9EW [We are unaware of any other instance besides the present of gynandromorphism in this species in Britain, though Tutt (*Nat. Hist. Br. Lep.*, **4**: 332-333) details five or six cases of this, apparently all with reference to continental examples. — J.M.C.-H.]